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SYNONYM OF PROFOUND

1. **Superficial**
2. **Insightful**
3. **Shallow**
4. **Trivial**
5. **insignificant**



SYNONYM OF MISCHIEF

1. **Good behavior**
2. **Naughtiness**
3. **Virtue**
4. **Decorum**
5. **Propriety**



ANTONYM OF TIRADE

1. **Diatribes**
2. **Harangue**
3. **Rant**
4. **Denunciation**
5. **Commendation**



ANTONYM OF PROPENSITY

1. **Aversion**
2. **Inclination**
3. **Tendency**
4. **Disposition**
5. **Leaning**



ANTONYM OF EMINENCES

1. **Peaks**
2. **Heights**
3. **Meadow**
4. **Obscurity**
5. **Prominences**



VOCABULARY



FURNISH

Parts of Speech: **VERB**

Meaning: **To provide or supply with necessary or useful items; to equip or adorn with furniture or other accessories.**

Synonyms: **Provide, supply, equip, outfit.**

Antonyms: **Deprive, strip, withhold.**

Sentence: **The new office was furnished with modern desks, chairs, and state-of-the-art equipment to create a comfortable and efficient workspace.**



QUEST

Parts of Speech: **NOUN**

Meaning: **A long or arduous search for something; a journey in search of a goal or objective.**

Synonyms: **Search, pursuit, expedition, adventure.**

Antonyms: **Abandonment, surrender.**

Sentence: **The knight embarked on a quest to find the mythical treasure hidden deep within the enchanted forest.**



OTHERING

Parts of Speech: **VERB**

Meaning: **The act of perceiving or treating a person or group as fundamentally different from oneself, often leading to marginalization or exclusion.**

Synonyms: **Marginalization, alienation, exclusion, stigmatization.**

Antonyms: **Inclusion, acceptance, integration.**

Sentence: **The process of othering can contribute to social divisions and perpetuate stereotypes and prejudices.**



SHUN

Parts of Speech: **VERB**

Meaning: **To deliberately avoid, ignore, or keep away from someone or something.**

Synonyms: **Avoid, evade, ignore, ostracize.**

Antonyms: **Embrace, welcome, accept, approach.**

Sentence: **After the betrayal, he decided to shun his former friend and cut all ties with him.**



PATRIARCHAL

Parts of Speech: **ADJ.**

Meaning: **Relating to or characteristic of a system of society or government controlled by men, particularly one in which men hold the positions of power and women are largely excluded.**

Synonyms: **Male-dominated, paternalistic, autocratic.**

Antonyms: **Egalitarian, matriarchal, gender-neutral.**

Sentence: **The company's patriarchal structure became a point of concern for employees advocating for more gender equality in leadership roles.**



MISOGYNY

Parts of Speech: **NOUN**

Meaning: **Hatred, dislike, or prejudice against women or girls.**

Synonyms: **Woman-hating, anti-feminism, anti-women sentiment.**

Antonyms: **Feminism, gender equality, respect for women.**

Sentence: **The author's book was criticized for promoting misogyny through its derogatory portrayal of female characters.**



TRODDEN

Parts of Speech: **ADJ.**

Meaning: **Having been stepped on or walked upon; crushed or flattened by feet.**

Synonyms: **Walked on, stepped on, crushed, flattened.**

Antonyms: **Untouched, pristine, untrampled.**

Sentence: **The trodden path through the forest showed signs of heavy foot traffic.**



BARRAGE

Parts of Speech: **NOUN**

Meaning : **A concentrated outpouring or volley of something, such as questions, criticisms, or gunfire.**

Synonyms: **Deluge, bombardment, volley, storm.**

Antonyms: **Trickle, sparse offering.**

Sentence: **The journalist faced a barrage of questions from the eager reporters.**



HIERARCHY

Parts of Speech: **NOUN**

Meaning: **A system or organization in which people or groups are ranked one above the other according to status or authority; a structure of levels or ranks.**

Synonyms: **Ranking, order, structure, chain of command.**

Antonyms: **Equality, flat organization, decentralization.**

Sentence: **The company's hierarchy was clearly defined, with the CEO at the top and various departments reporting to different levels of management.**



STARK

Parts of Speech: **ADJ.**

Meaning: **Severe, harsh, or grim in appearance; complete or utter.**

Synonyms: **Bleak, harsh, severe, complete.**

Antonyms: **Mild, gentle, soft, incomplete.**

Sentence: **The landscape was a stark contrast of barren fields and a dark, stormy sky.**



MAIDEN

Parts of Speech: **NOUN**

Meaning: **A young unmarried woman.**

Synonyms: **Young woman, girl, miss.**

Antonyms: **Married woman.**

Sentence: **The young maiden was known for her kindness and grace.**

Adjective: **Meaning: First or earliest; relating to the first or earliest of its kind.**

Synonyms: **Inaugural, initial, first.**

Antonyms: **Last, final, subsequent.**

Sentence: **The ship embarked on its maiden voyage, carrying excited passengers to a new destination.**



PHRASAL VERB

FIGHT FOR : STRUGGLE OR ARGUE IN FAVOUR OF SOMETHING

RUNNING INTO: ENCOUNTERING A PROBLEM

IDIOM AND PHRASES

PAYING LIP SERVICE TO : Giving verbal approval or expressing support for something without truly believing in it or without taking significant actions to demonstrate commitment.



ARTICLE ANALYSIS

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**WHAT'S IN A SURNAME?: ON A WOMAN'S
RIGHT TO CHOOSE HER OWN IDENTITY
WOMEN SHOULD NOT BE TIED TO THE NAME
OF THEIR HUSBANDS**



In the quest for equal rights for women in all spheres of life, every act that justifies hierarchy, othering, and a patriarchal mindset must be shunned totally. Seeking the right to choose her own identity, Ms. Divya Modi Tongya, had petitioned the Delhi High Court that she be allowed to revert to her maiden name after her divorce comes through. She landed in court after running into a barrier in the form of a government notification which said a married woman who wants to use her maiden name after divorce must either furnish divorce papers or a no-objection certificate from her husband. The Delhi High Court has sought the Union government's response by May 28, the next date of hearing. In her plea, Ms. Modi Tongya states that the notification is “gender biased” and creates unnecessary restrictions for women who seek to exercise their constitutional right to choose their name — in her case a change of surname — by violating Articles 14, 19 and 21.



The very idea of an NOC is objectionable, divorce proceedings or not, and is reflective of a deep-seated misogyny that wants to control an individual's preference. Ms. Modi Tongya should be able to choose whichever surname she is comfortable with and not have to fight for it.

Women have often complained of harassment when they have taken the path less trodden. For instance, women who have decided not to opt for their husband's surname after marriage face a barrage of unnecessary questions and a mountain of paperwork while, say, opening a joint bank account, or during a child's admission in school, or applying for a passport. A society that is already battling caste-based hierarchies should not add to the discrimination by giving an upper hand to anyone in a relationship, but work towards safer spaces without gender bias, difference and humiliation.



In India, the most populous country in the world, stark gender disparities persist, both politically and socially. Women do most of the unpaid work at home, and are often edged out of the labour force for various reasons. What a girl or a woman can — and cannot — do, is often laid down by the men in the family; sometimes women too acquiesce to such indignities in the name of tradition. The United Nations has said that the greatest human rights challenge in the world right now is achieving gender equality and empowering women and girls. Paying lip service to rhetoric that women are equal without effecting change on the ground with legislative backing and strong social frameworks defeats the purpose.



tone of the passage

1. **DISMISSIVE**
2. **NEUTRAL**
3. **OPTIMISTIC**
4. **ANALYTICAL**
5. **SKEPTICAL**



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